

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2019-326-E ORDER NO. 2021-9-H

JANUARY 27, 2021

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding to Address S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(1) and S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-27-460(A)(2) (Promulgation and Periodic Review of Standards for Interconnection and Parallel Operation of Generating Facilities to an Electrical Utility's Distribution and Transmission System)

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Status of the Queue Reform Proposal in this Docket for Commission Decision

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

On January 22, 2021, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (collectively, "the Companies") submitted a letter to the Commission requesting that it approve the Companies' Application for Approval of Modifications to South Carolina Generator Interconnection Procedures to Implement Queue Reform and Appendix Duke CS no later than February 10, 2021. On January 20, 2021, the South Carolina Solar Business Alliance, Inc. ("SCSBA") filed comments in support of the Companies' Queue Reform Proposal.

The Companies assert that over sixty (60) days have passed since the Application was submitted, and no other parties have filed comments or otherwise objected to approval and implementation of the Companies' Queue Reform Proposal.

The Commission intends to consider this matter at its business meeting on February 10, 2021. However, the Commission also wanted to give other parties in the case another chance to comment on the Proposal before ruling. Accordingly, parties will have until on or before February 5, 2021 to file comments on the matter, if so desired. Further, any party also has the right to file a proposed Order in this matter, which will also be due on or before February 5, 2021. This completes the Chief Hearing Officer's Directive